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## Letter dated 12 October 2001 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I wish to inform you that the current mandate of the United Nations Peace-building Support Office in Liberia (UNOL) comes to an end on 31 December 2001.

In spite of the difficult political and security circumstances prevailing in the country and the subregion and the limited resources available to it, the Office continues to make worthwhile contributions in the areas of national reconciliation, respect for human rights and the rule of law through good offices and training programmes. It has kept me and the Security Council informed of the evolving situation in the country and provided a useful political link between Liberia and the international community, particularly since the imposition of sanctions. It has also given support to the various phases of the Sierra Leone peace process.

In the light of the above and following consultations with the Government of Liberia, I recommend that the mandate of UNOL be extended for one additional year, to 31 December 2002. It is my intention to conduct a thorough review of the UNOL mandate during 2002 and then to make the appropriate proposals to the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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